

## Health News Release

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## Snohomish County nursing assistant suspended on allegations of sexual assault

**OLYMPIA** – The Washington State Department of Health immediately suspended the license of Snohomish County registered nursing assistant Kelvin Njeru (NA.60924253) pending further legal action.

Njeru has been charged with second-degree rape, a class A felony. Njeru allegedly sexually assaulted a patient at the assisted living facility where he worked.

Njeru cannot practice in Washington until the charges are resolved. He has 20 days to respond to the charges and to ask for a hearing.

The legal documents on this case can be seen online by clicking the link on <u>Provider Credential Search</u> on the <u>Department of Health website</u>; copies can be requested by calling 360-236-4700. Anyone who believes a health care provider acted unprofessionally is encouraged to call this number and report their complaint.

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